policy package for India to establish itself in the post Dunkel world trading system ;

(b) if so, the reaction of Government on the views of the International Chamber of Commerce ;

(c) whether the global exports from India would increase considerably ; and

(d) if so, to what extent ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) to (d) A post Uruguay Round exercise will be to identify and work on realizing the opportunities created by the Final Act. A conservative estimate has put the increase in world trade at approximately $ 240 billion per annum. The gains for India in terms of additional exports are estimated to be of the magnitude of $ 1.2 —2 billion per annum.

**Legislative Measures Following Acceptance of Dunkel Draft**

1898. SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the legislative measures proposed to be taken as a follow up of the Dunkel proposals ;

(b) the laws which are likely to be amended immediately ;

(c) the laws which will require amendments later on ;

(d) the date by which these amendments are likely to be completed ; and

(e) Governments's commitment in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (c) The Final Act of the Uruguay Round enjoins upon Members that they bring their laws, regulations and administrative procedures into conformity with the obligations provided in the Agreements. To safeguard our interests and comply with our obligations, amendments are likely mainly to the Customs Tariff Act (in respect of Anti-Dumping and Counter-vailing Duty provisions) the Indian Copyright Act ; the Trade and Merchandise marks Act ; the patents Act ; the Industrial designs Act ; laws and regulations to deal with restrictive trade practices etc. We would need to consider fresh legislation in the areas of geographical indications, layout designs of integrated circuits ; undisclosed information ; plant variety protection ; safeguards. In some cases like safeguards, anti-dumping and countervailing duties, plant variety protection etc., it may be desirable to initiate legislative measures expeditiously to be able to take advantage of the provisions of the Agreements. We would also need to amend the Patents Act early to provide for pipe-line protection. The other areas of intellactual property rights would need suitable legislative measures to be put in place after a transition period of five years or ten years as the case may be.

**Trade Relations with Nepal**

1899. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) the present status of our trade relations with Nepal ;

(b) whether after the change in the political structure in Nepal our trade with Nepal has increased or decreased ;

(c) what are the new proposals in contemplation with regard to our trade relations with Nepal and

(d) the extent to which India foresees the increase in trade with Nepal ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) Indo-Nepal Trade relations are governed by the Indo-Nepal Treaties of Trade of Transit and Agreement for Cooperation to control Unauthorised Trade, 1991. Under these

arrangements, both the countries exchange a number of concessions for preferential trading between the two countries.

(b) Details of bilateral trade between India and Nepal from 1989-90 onwards is as below :

(Rs. crores)

| Year | Exports | Imports |
|---|---|---|
| 1989-90 . . . . . | 83.32 | 0.56 |
| 1990-91 . . . . . | 86.62 | 81.40 |
| 1991-92 . . . . . | 196.55 | 70.11 |
| 1992-93 . . . . . | 210.48 | 71.76 |
| 1993-94 (Apr.—Nov.) . . . . | 180.39 | 46.94 |

(c) and (d) Governments in both the countries are keen to further improve the existing trade relations through increased commercial inter-action and to promote industrial joint ventures leading to further growth of bilateral trade.

**सौराष्ट्र क्षेत्र की औद्योगिक इकाइयों द्वारा निर्यात**

1900. **श्री चिमन भाई हरि भाई शुक्ल :** क्या **वाणिज्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) विगत तीन वर्षों के दौरान सौराष्ट्र क्षेत्र की विभिन्न औद्योगिक इकाइयों द्वारा किए गए कुल निर्यातों का ब्यौरा क्या है और इसके परिणामस्वरूप कुल कितनी विदेशी मुद्रा अर्जित की गई ;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने सौराष्ट्र क्षेत्र की औद्योगिक इकाइयों द्वारा निर्यात को प्रोत्साहन देने हेतु कोई विशेष कार्य योजना बनाई है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो तत्सम्बन्धी ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(घ) सरकार द्वारा वर्ष, 1994-95 के लिये इस क्षेत्र से निर्यात हेतु क्या लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया गया है ?

**वाणिज्य, नागरिक आपूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमालुद्दीन अहमद):** (क) वाणिज्य मन्त्रालय निर्यात के क्षेत्रवार आंकड़े नहीं रखता है ।

(ख) और (ग) : केन्द्र सरकार की निर्यात संवर्धन नीतियां अखिल-भारतीय आधार पर बनाई जाती हैं और इनका उद्देश्य किन्हीं निश्चित क्षेत्रों से निर्यात बढ़ाना नहीं होता ।

(घ) सरकार क्षेत्र-वार निर्यात लक्ष्य निर्धारित नहीं करती है ।

**Claims by Russian Importers against F.C.V. Tobacco**

1901. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any Claims from Russian importers against Flue Cured Virginia (FCV) Tobacco exports, from this country ;

(b) if so, what is the nature of these claims ; and